

Minutes of the Mt. Vernon – Black Township

Parks and Recreation Board Meeting

Wednesday, August 15th, 2007

The Mt. Vernon – Black Township Parks and Recreation Department Board held its monthly meeting on Wednesday, August 15th, 2007, at the Kiwanis Senior Citizen Center at 6:00 p.m. attending the meeting was: Parks Board President – Ron Bennett, Members – Linc Baro, Kay Cox and Synda Waters, Parks Director John Tate and Park Board Secretary- Debra Scott.

Joining the Mount Vernon Black Township Park & Recreation Board is: Kelly Cox.

The motion to authorize payment of claims was made by Linc Baro and seconded by Synda Waters. Motion Carried.

The motion to approve the minutes as written or corrected from the July 18th, 2007, meeting was made by Kay Cox and seconded by Linc Baro. Motion Carried.

The motion to approve the balance of accounts to be entered into the minutes subject to audit for August 15th, 2007, was made by Synda Waters and seconded by Linc Baro. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Background Checks- Mr. Tate handed the Board some information on background checks Mr. Tate stated the Parks Department could mail in the coaches background checks along with \$7.00 to the Indiana State police. The background checks could take one, possibly two weeks before the department receives the results. Mr. Tate stated for fifteen dollars he could file the background check on line and he would get the results instantly. The County check is five dollars and the individual would go to the Sheriff Station, fill out the paperwork, pay the five dollars, and then wait for the results. The County background check is only run locally. Mrs. Synda Waters and Mrs. Kay Cox said they do not want the County background check since it only checks the individual's background locally. At this time no decision was made.
2. MVYB Agreement- Everyone on the Parks Board agreed to have a Park & Recreation member attend the MVYB Board Meetings. Mr. Tate stated he has a copy of the by-laws, and the contract is up for review in October. The issue was tabled until the next Parks Board meeting.
3. Fall Programs- Mr. Tate stated the Parks Department recently took over the Cub Football program and evaluations are being held Saturday. Registrations are being accepted for Flag Football, Tackle Football, Cheerleading, and Soccer until August 24th.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Girls Rural Softball Request- Mr. Tate stated Carol Stratton (Girls Rural Softball) asked if the association could build an infield on the South side of the creek, to use for batting practice. Board members Synda Waters and Linc Baro asked why on the South side of the creek and not on the North side of the creek. Mr. Tate stated the ball team's park on the North side and with the traffic there is no appropriate area for the infield. Mr. Baro requested a drawing of the infield that the association is planning on building. Mr. Tate stated he would invite Carol Stratton to attend the next Parks Board meeting.
2. Proposal for Meditation Classes at CC – Mr. Tate handed out some information on meditations for relaxation presented to him by Wendy Wightman. Mrs. Wightman would like to offer some classes at the Community Center. After the Board reviewed the information they all agreed not to allow Mrs. Wightman to teach her classes at the Community Center.
3. WSI Swings- Mr. Tate stated the swings were delivered and are scheduled to be installed next Wednesday. The Street Department and the Parks Department split the cost of nine trash cans for the riverfront. The trash cans have not been delivered. Mrs. Kay Cox stated the Parks Department should hold a dedication ceremony/ribbon cutting after the swings have been installed at the riverfront.

Motion was made to adjourn by Linc Baro and seconded by Synda Waters.

Motion Carried.

Meeting Adjourned

John Tate, Parks Director

Ron Bennett, Board President

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, September 19th, 2007, at the Senior Citizen Center.